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CHOOSE RENEWABLE ENERGY?





your electricity choice makes a difference!

hanges in the electric utility industry give many Californians more choice. In addition to generating your own electricity using renewable energy systems, now you may be able to switch your electricity source from conventional energy to renewable energy.

What is Renewable Energy?

Renewable or "green" energy is generated using fuel resources that do not run out or are quickly renewed through natural processes. In California, these resources include:

- Biomass & Waste energy from burning organic materials, such as forest and agricultural by-products and processed garbage
- Geothermal energy from heat under the earth's crust
- Small Hydroelectric energy from moving or falling water
- Solar energy from the sun
- Wind energy from the wind

Why Should I Choose Renewable Energy?

By choosing electricity generated by renewable energy, you:

- support the use of secure, local, and replenishable natural resources
- help keep our air clean and improve our health by reducing pollution and environmental damage

reduce the production of carbon dioxide, a leading contributor to global climate change

How Do I Choose Renewable Energy? Here are two ways:

- Purchase electricity generated from renewable energy
 - Contact the Energy Commission for a list of renewable electric service providers serving California customers.
 - Compare electricity products and providers' terms and conditions.
 - Select one that is right for you.
 - Sign up with a provider by phone or on-line — have your current electric bill handy.
- Generate electricity using a renewable energy generating system
 - Your home or business may be ideally suited for a solar or small wind system. (Most retailers can determine if your site is suitable.)
 - Contact the Energy Commission for a list of retailers.
 - Select a system to purchase.



Will My Electricity Service Continue to be Reliable?



There will be no change in the reliability and safety of your electric service. No matter whom you buy electricity from, your current electric utility company will continue to deliver it to your home or business.

Are There Incentives for Choosing Renewable Energy?



The California Energy Commission has incentive programs available for a limited time. To learn if you are eligible, contact the California Energy Commission today! Your electricity dollars support the energy sources of your choice.

How to Contact the Energy Commission

CALL the Energy Call Center at:

(800) 555-7794 (California only) (916) 654-4058 (out-of-state)

VISIT our Web Site at:

www.energy.ca.gov/renewables

WRITE to:

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